

Gems Nursery Newsletter

Friday 17th June 2016

Mathematical development

The children have been practising using their counting skills. They have been using the Numicon plates to help by counting the holes and then putting on the correct number of pegs. Also they have been saying the number names forwards '1 2 3 4 5' and backwards '5 4 3 2 1'. They have been practising using the language of less, fewer and more when comparing how many objects.

Also this week they have been looking at flat 2D shapes and making patterns using the shapes and colours.

Literacy development

The children have been talking what they did during the half term break and what they want to learn this term.

The story of the week last week was 'Ten Seeds' by Ruth Brown. This week it is 'Going on a Bear Hunt' by David Axtell. The children love these stories and enjoy re-reading them.

We have learnt the sounds and name of some of the letters. The children know 'm', 'a', 's', 'd', 't', 'i', 'n' and 'p'. They have been practising their blending and segmenting skills using these sounds for example 'm-a-t' mat.

Reminders

Please name all your child's clothes and belongings so if they go missing they can be returned.

Thank you for the snack contributions as a result the children have eaten lots of fruit, carrots, ham wraps and cheese spread with crackers.

The weather is turning warmer so please ensure your child has **a sun hat** in their book bag to wear when playing outside.

Please do not leave pushchairs in our covered area as this set up for the children to play and learn.

Could we please ask that any money is put in a **named envelope**.

Also please ensure your child is wearing suitable footwear for school.

Busy learning

The children have been talking about being healthy and what this means. Many children could tell us about eating different foods including lots of fruit and vegetables. About playing outside, exercising, getting plenty of sleep, washing and brushing our hair. Also we have been talking about remembering to wear our sun hats when it is sunny outside and bringing a water bottle with water in it to nursery.

The children have started to think about the new season of summer and the changes to the outside world. Lots have children have noticed a change in the weather.